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Application of: L. SHAPIRO

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METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS FOR

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INHIBITING APOPTOSIS USING SERINE PROTEASE INHIBITORS (AS AMENDED)

AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.121

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 5, 2004 (Paper No. 27), and in accordance with the Rules of Practice, please enter the following the Amendments and Remarks below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims; and Remarks.